

Remarks

The Applicant has made the following amendments at the request of the Examiner, the amendments listed in the order of the Examiner's requests:

DRAWINGS

Corrected drawings are herein submitted to overcome the informalities identified in the "Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review," PTO-948.

SPECIFICATION

Please amend the first sentence of the application, per the Examiner's request, to read (wherein the added terms are underlined)- "The present application is a divisional application based on and claiming priority from patent application serial number 09/479,956 of the same title, now U.S. Patent No. 6,375,489."

A substitute Abstract has been attached, which is limited to 50 to 150 words and avoids legal phraseology, per the Examiner's request.

The claims have been amended herein. The amendments consist of changes requested by the Examiner in section 7 of the office action, with the following exceptions:

The word "said" at the end of line 17 of claim 1 was removed, consistent with a similar request by the examiner for line 20 of claim 1;

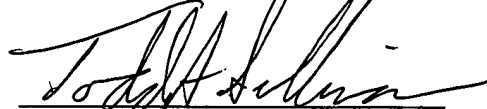
Due to Applicant error, the item introduced as a deflectable contact improperly evolved into the deflectable spring contact and then, simply, the spring contact. Applicant has changed this contact to read "[the/said] deflectable contact" in the following locations: claim 1, last line and claim 4, line 5.

The Examiner requested a change in claim 7, line 3, specifically changing "the deflectable" to "a deflectable". Applicant believes the term has antecedent basis in the preamble, requiring the phrase to remain unchanged. If the Examiner disagrees, the Applicant would be amenable to reaching an agreement by telephone on this issue.

Conclusion

Applicant has made the changes requested by the Examiner, with only slight exception as outlined above. Applicant believes the application is in condition for allowance or, in the least, any remaining issues can be resolved by telephone. Fees required are included herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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